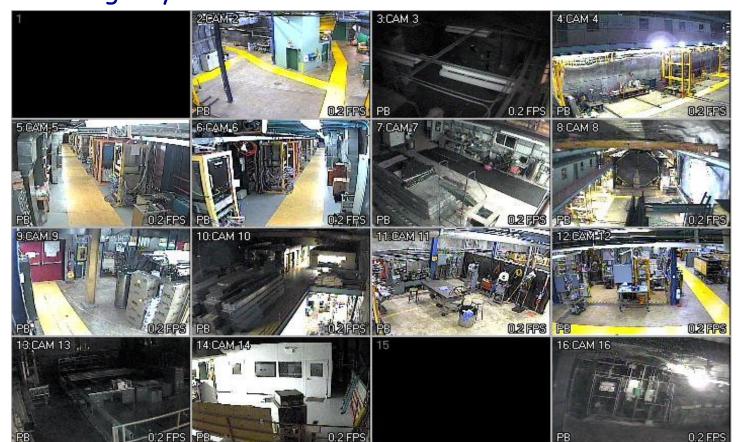
Shutdown Work Progress:

Detectors and Beam Systems



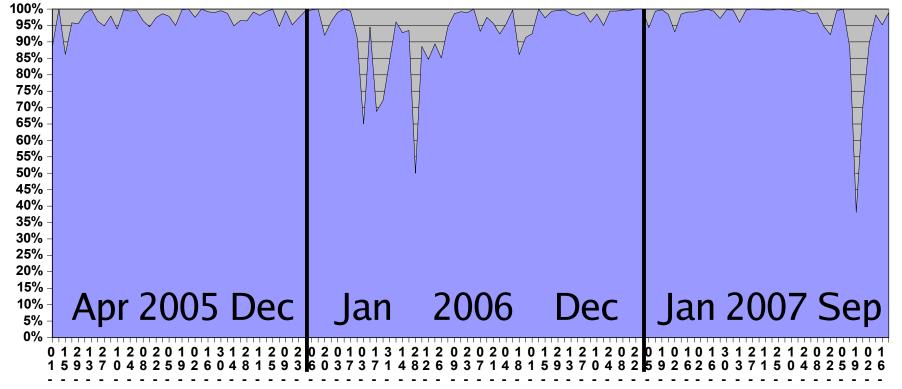
- FAR DETECTOR: Rik Gran
- Extensive safety reviews over the summer result in improved procedures and documentations
- Also new equipment radios, rebreathers, cameras for rescue/emergency assessments





- FAR DETECTOR: Rik Gran
- Overall live time (for atmospherics and cosmics) results in new record for FY07 (even integrated over shutdown work):

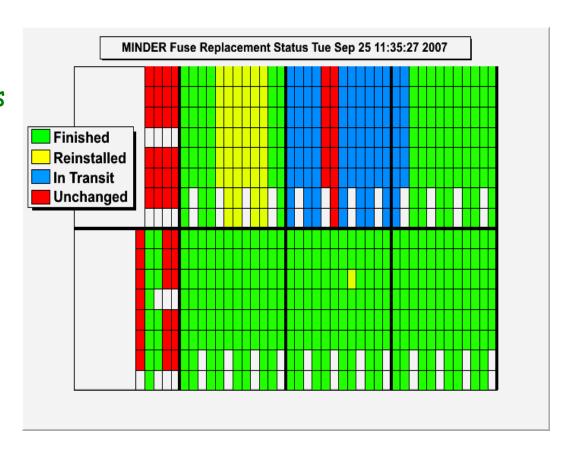
On-Time Averages FY04 89.3%; FY05 96.1% FY06 93.1% FY07 96.4%





• NEAR DETECTOR: Alec Habig

- Front-end electronics refit roaring along
 - Troublesome fuses on Minder cards undergoing mass replacement with reset-able polyfuses
 - Three crates at a time pulled, sent to Argonne
 - ~70% complete
 - Reliability upgrade
 - On Schedule





- NEAR DETECTOR: Alec Habig
- Ceiling Sealing over Minerva area in front of MINOS Near Detector has started
 - Several week task
 - Parts of detector, racks, computers have been covered to deflect dust, but still running
 - Cannot enter work area while contractors are in lifts
 - Use escape passage leading to rear of detector for access

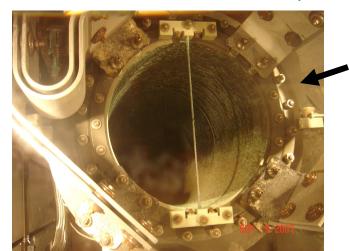


MINOS VS Shelob





- BEAM SYSTEM EFFORTS: (Jim Hylen)
- Target Pile Dehumidification Installation Project:
 - Completion of contractor efforts in target hall projected ~ Oct 18
- Horn 2 leak identified and repair preparations in progress
 - Air leak at the ceramic insulator on the suction line (same problem as fixed during Spring 2006 shutdown). Will be repaired using new design ceramic isolator assembly [as presented in July 16 AEM], scheduled for Oct. 7
 - Will also electrically float the horn 2 module to avoid ground faults



Horn 2 now

Still running with original horns; in midst of 3rd repair of a water line ceramic transition.



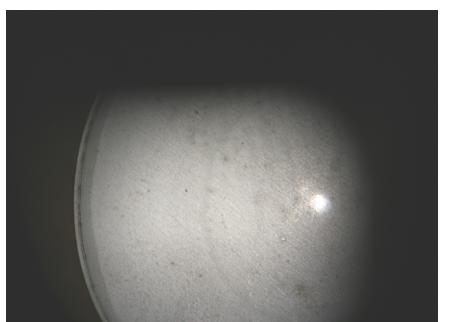
- BEAM SYSTEM EFFORTS: (Jim Hylen, cont)
- Addressed high leakage current with HV101 magnet string
 - Replaced 1st dipole (of 6, rest OK).
- Planning towards filling decay pipe with helium in place of vacuum continues

Risk mitigation for the decay pipe window; an increasing concern due

to the severe environment of target hall chase. Images of window show a spot at beam center.



The Remote Illumination Caterpillar





- BEAM SYSTEM EFFORTS: (Jim Hylen, cont)
- ~ 1 atm He in the 677m pipe changes a possible window failure from catastrophic implosion to pinhole leaks, at a cost of 0.17 interaction lengths of new material in the beam
 - Slightly decreases v_{μ} flux (~2%) and increases backgrounds (Laura Loiacono, MINOS-doc-3557)
 - He feeder lines being installed now, but there is a long list of technical and bureaucratic items to work on

 Shooting for getting NuMI beam back ~25 October, with He in the decay pipe